

CHATS BY THE WAY

Column of Brief Interviews and Pointed Remarks.

HON. M. O. CROSBY, REPUBLICAN

Echoes From the Tramp Fight. Darr's Heaviness—Smith's Beer-Glass Lantern.

Marcus S. Crosby, the subject of this sketch, was born fifty-three years ago last December in Manchester, N. H. but has resided in Grand Rapids thirty-four years continuously, and is one of the most honored and respected business men in this city.



presidential ticket of his party, and fifty ahead of his ticket in the second ward. From 1875 to 1880 he was a member of the state board of corrections and charities, receiving his appointments from Governors Bagley and Crosby.

Thinks He Should Be Promoted. "It is not often that an officer is found brave enough to face a revolver in the hands of a desperado, especially if the officer's own gun is empty," said United States District Attorney Palmer, after reading of the heavy of Jerry Darr, the detective, in his feat of capturing George Wilson, the Chicago burglar and highwayman.

They Had No Beer. A good story in connection with the tramp fight, as it is now designated by the papers, has not been printed. After the battle between Smith and Darr wished by telephone headquarters, and with a skeleton key entered the office of Robinson's wood yard.

Becken Street Signs. Next to the city several thousand dollars to erect the posts and plant the signs at the street corners. It took the committee on streets several months to decide the kind of signs they wanted.

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IS A NEW PRESIDENT

Board of Public Works Chooses Mr. Letellier

TO SUCCEED MR. SHELBY

Business Demands Force Mr. Shelby to Resign—Only Two Members of Last Year's Board Left.

Major Joseph McKee, one of the new members of the board of public works, was present yesterday afternoon, but Prof. C. G. Swensberg, the other new member, was out of the city, and Mr. Herrington, who sat with the board for the last time, C. Tufts appeared before the board and asked to have pipes laid in Wellington place, as he wished to lay a tar cement pavement.

President Shelby, who has been a member of the board for four years, said he had been waiting until the new members were appointed to take an action he had contemplated for some time. He proposed to hand his resignation to the mayor and proposed that he would not meet with the board again.

High School Field Day. The high school field day exercises were held yesterday morning at Comstock park. The scores were as follows: First mile race—First, Herbert Stewart, second, Louis Howard, third, Hugh Vanderveen; best time, 5:23.

Pushing to a Finish. The straw hat factory now in course of construction on the west side, near the D. G. H. M. railway junction, is being rapidly pushed, having reached the first story. It will occupy a large ground space, but will be only two stories in height.

U. B. A. Acknowledgments. The management of the Union Benevolent association acknowledge the following cash donations received since February.

Gave Him a Badge. James R. McInnes was presented with a beautiful past exalted ruler's badge by the Elks Friday night. The presentation speech was made by G. H. DeGraft after the session of the lodge had closed.

St. Mark's Music. The program for the Sunday evening musical service at St. Mark's this evening is as follows: Anthem, "He Shall Come Down," Allen, Mrs. Lilly and chorus; duet, "Come Holy Spirit," Roseman, Mrs. Davis and Miss Chamberlain; anthems, "Immortal" Thayer, Mr. Campbell and chorus; chorale, "Ein Fest Burg," Luther, chorus; offertory, anthem, "Four Not O' Land," Maker, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Mahon, Mr. Campbell and chorus.

Celebrates the Festival. The Jewish festival of Shemeth was celebrated in Temple Emanuel. The services were conducted by Rabbi Jas. Wilson. This morning at 10:30 similar services will be held in the temple. The festival will close at sunset this evening.

Rural Parents. Anna E. Devo, No. 142 West Broadway, Greenwood, Thomas Kraft, Russell Carpet Sweeper factory, Holland, Klara Landwehr, No. 159 Baxter street, Valley City, Caroline Serna, No. 33 Goodrich street, Valley City, W. H. O'Keefe, No. 122 Jefferson avenue, Greenwood.

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